

**PATENT
VIK01 P-340**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Davis D. Hwu
Group : 3752
Applicants : Scott Franson et al.
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For : COMPACT PENDANT SPRINKLER HEAD

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

ELECTION

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 11, 2002, having a one-month period of response ending October 11, 2002, Applicants wish to make the following election:

Applicants provisionally elect Species 1, namely the species claimed in Claims 1-34.

REMARKS

The Examiner requires election of a single species and identifies two species; namely Species 1, including Claim 1-34, and Species 2, including Claims 35-38. As noted above, Applicants provisionally elect Species 1, namely Claims 1-34 for prosecution on the merits.

The Examiner has identified Claims 1, 15, 23, and 29 as generic. Upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species provided that they are written in dependent form or otherwise include the limitations of the allowed generic claim.